

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, In South Dakota, improving the water quality of our streams, rivers, lakes, and ponds and protecting public health are important shared values of all South Dakotans; and,

Whereas, Proper septic system design, installation, use and routine care are vital to protecting public health, preserving our highly valued groundwater, lakes, streams, and waterways and avoiding costly repairs that can result from neglect; and,

Whereas, Nearly 27 percent of South Dakotans dispose of the wastewater from their homes and businesses through the use of onsite septic systems; and,

Whereas, Wastewater professionals of the state of South Dakota use their expertise in the design, installation, maintenance, and regulation of septic systems; and,

Whereas, Residents and the environment of South Dakota benefit from properly designed, installed, operated, and maintained septic systems; and,

Whereas, Educating the public about water quality, septic systems, and system maintenance will enable South Dakotans to do their part in protecting South Dakota's environment and public health for this and future generations:

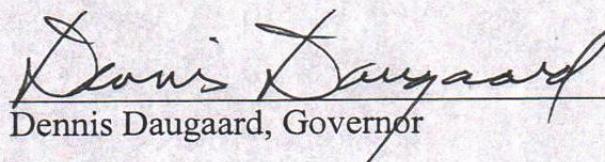
Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 19-23, 2016, as

SEPTIC SMART WEEK

in South Dakota.

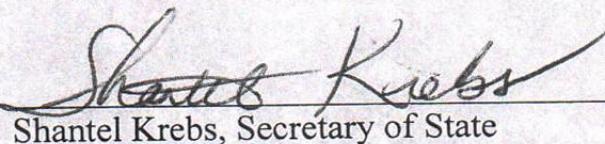


In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.



Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:



Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State